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VALKYRIE  
CAIN

WARRIOR. DETECTIVE. TEEN.

'Don't call me sweetheart.'

A young woman with long black hair, wearing a blue jacket, is shown from the chest up. She is holding a glowing orange and yellow flame in her right hand. The background is a dark, smoky, fiery environment.



GHASTLY  
BESPOKE

TAILOR. BOXER. FRIEND.

Fashion — it's life or death.

A bald man with a serious expression, wearing a white shirt, a dark tie, and a dark vest, is shown from the chest up. The background is a dark, smoky, fiery environment.



SKULDUGGERY  
PLEASANT

SORCERER. DETECTIVE. DEAD.

'Embrace your inner lunatic,  
fun times guaranteed.'

A skull wearing a black fedora hat and a dark suit with a white shirt and tie is shown from the chest up. The skull is holding a glowing orange and yellow flame in its right hand. The background is a dark, smoky, fiery environment.



CHINA  
SORROWS

CURATOR. COLLECTOR.  
SPYMASTER.

'War is a delicate thing.'

A woman with long black hair, wearing a red top, is shown from the chest up. She has a white, glowing, circuit-like pattern on her left arm. The background is a dark, smoky, fiery environment.